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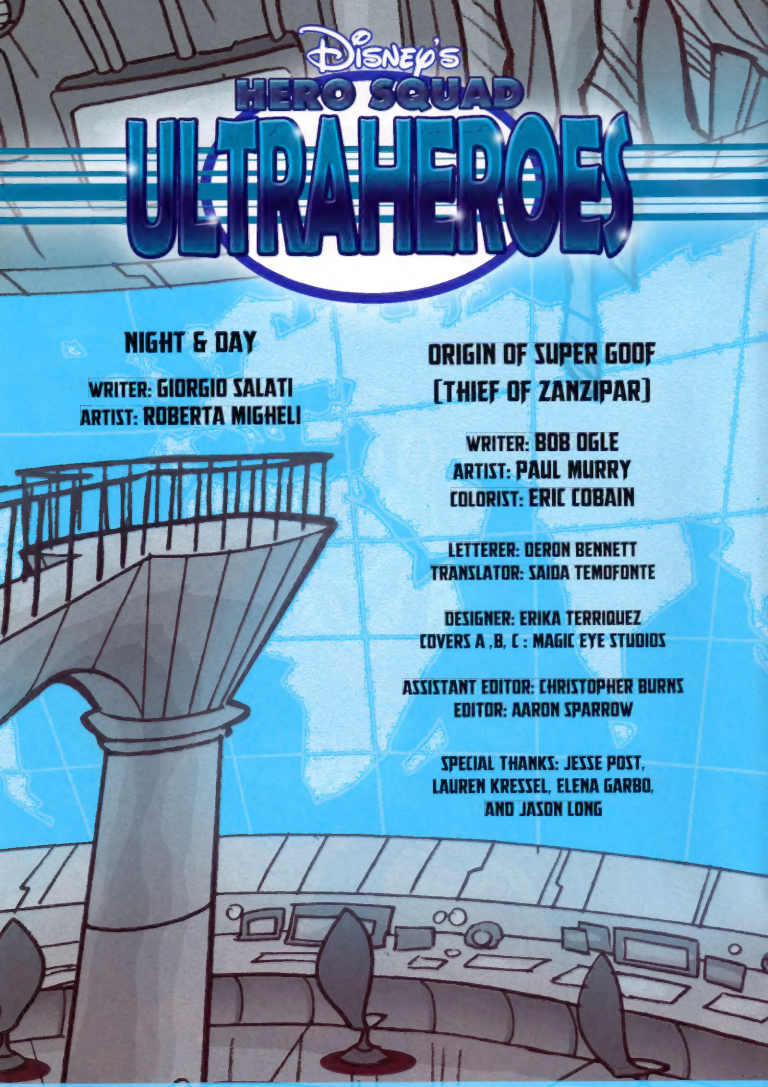

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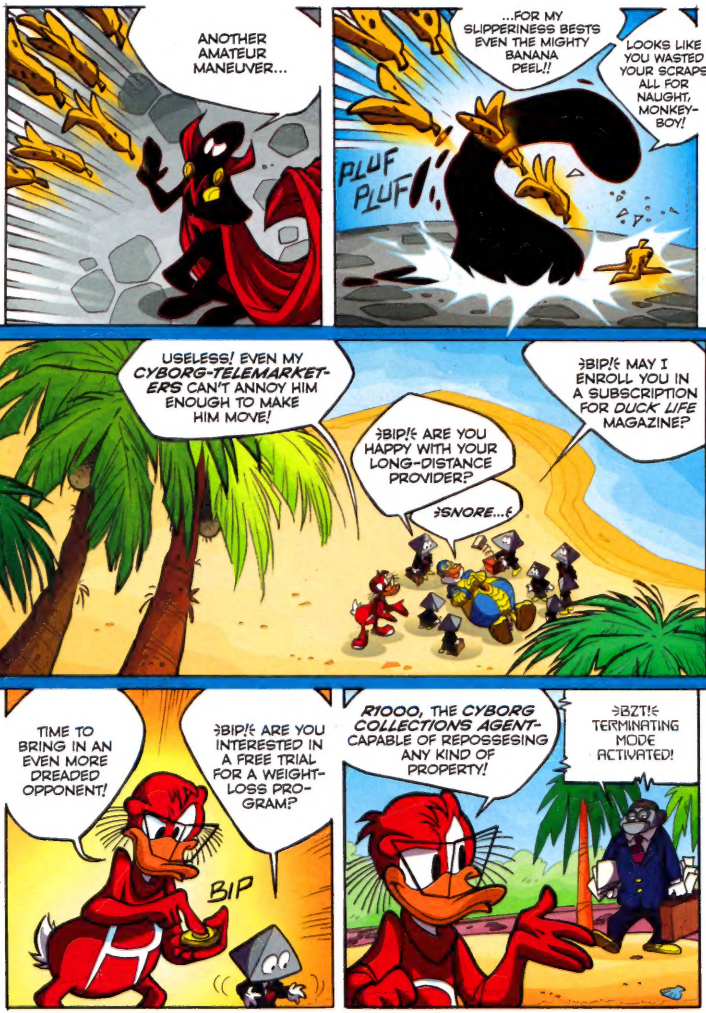
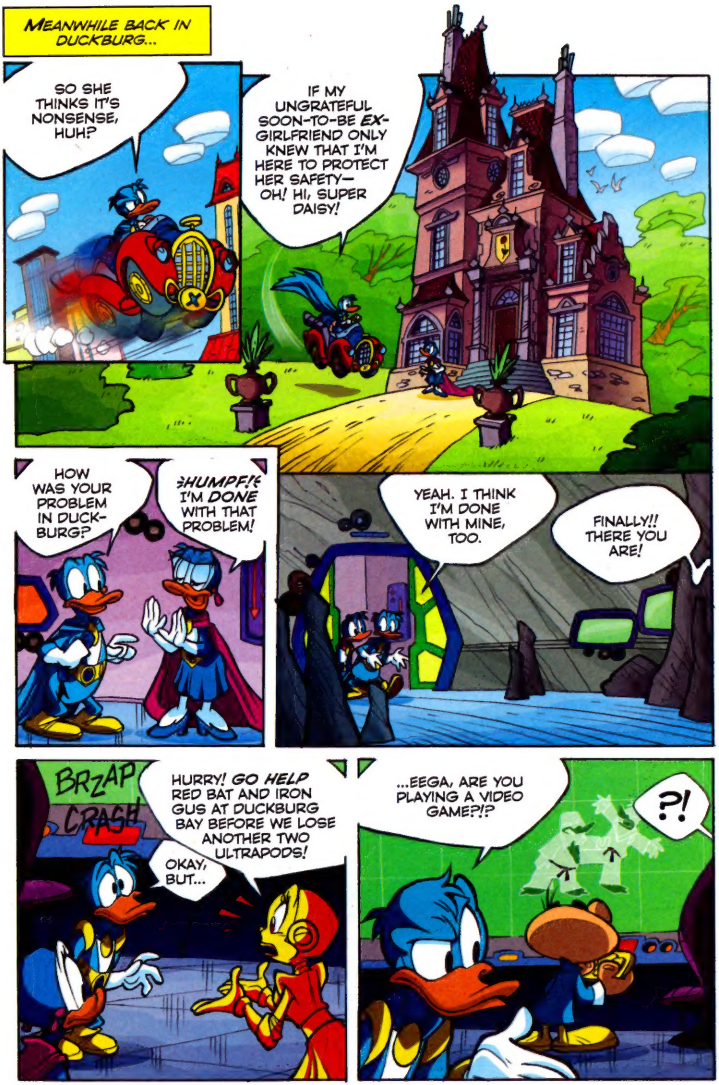
PREVIOUSLY IN DISNEY'S HERO SQUAD #1...

MICKEY MOUSE SEEMINGLY DISCOVERS THE LOCATION OF SCROOGE MCDUCK'S MISSING MONEY BIN, ONLY TO FIND THAT A TROPICAL WILDERNESS STANDS IN HIS WAY! MEANWHILE, TWO BATTLES FOR THE ULTRAPODS ENSUE AS THE RED BAT MATCHES WITS (AS BEST HE CAN) WITH THE PHANTOM BLOT, WHILE IRON GUS CONTENDS WITH THE RICHLY EVIL ROLLER DOLLAR...A BATTLE THAT GUS SEEMS TO BE TAKING LYING DOWN...

NONSENSE! THIS IS ABSOLUTE NONSENSE!
I'VE DUG UP THE ENTIRE BEACH AND CAN'T FIND ULTRAPOD-6 ANYWHERE!
WHICH MEANS IT MUST BE UNDER THIS HIBERNATING ULTRA-SLOTH!
ƷSNOOORE...ʕ
MEANWHILE...
GO AHEAD AND ORDER PIZZA, EEGA! I'LL SOON ARRIVE WITH ULTRAPOD-5! SAY, THAT RHYMED!
...
WOOOSH
HA! HA!
ER...I TAKE BACK THAT COUPLET!

}UUURGH...{ IT'S NO USE! HIS SUPERPOWER MUST BE *HEAVY-DUTY DENSITY!*
ZZZ...
BUT I'M RESOURCEFUL!
WICKEDLY RESOURCE-FUL!
STAY WHERE YOU ARE, PHANTOM BLOT!
THIS DEVASTATING WEAPON WILL KNOCK YOU *OFF YOUR FEET!*
P-TONF
P-TONF
P-TONF


ANOTHER AMATEUR MANEUVER...
...FOR MY SLIPPERINESS BESTS EVEN THE MIGHTY BANANA PEEL!!
LOOKS LIKE YOU WASTED YOUR SCRAPS ALL FOR NAUGHT, MONKEY-BOY!
PLUF PLUF
USELESS! EVEN MY CYBORG-TELEMARKETERS CAN'T ANNOY HIM ENOUGH TO MAKE HIM MOVE!
BIP! MAY I ENROLL YOU IN A SUBSCRIPTION FOR DUCK LIFE MAGAZINE?
BIP! ARE YOU HAPPY WITH YOUR LONG-DISTANCE PROVIDER?
SNORE...
TIME TO BRING IN AN EVEN MORE DREADED OPPONENT!
BIP! ARE YOU INTERESTED IN A FREE TRIAL FOR A WEIGHT-LOSS PROGRAM?
BIP
R1000, THE CYBORG COLLECTIONS AGENT- CAPABLE OF REPOSSESING ANY KIND OF PROPERTY!
BZT! TERMINATING MODE ACTIVATED!


MEANWHILE BACK IN DUCKBURG...
SO SHE THINKS IT'S NONSENSE, HUH?
IF MY UNGRATEFUL SOON-TO-BE EX-GIRLFRIEND ONLY KNEW THAT I'M HERE TO PROTECT HER SAFETY— OH! HI, SUPER DAISY!
HOW WAS YOUR PROBLEM IN DUCK-BURG?
HUMPF!* I'M DONE WITH THAT PROBLEM!
YEAH. I THINK I'M DONE WITH MINE, TOO.
FINALLY!! THERE YOU ARE!
BRZAP
CRASH
HURRY! GO HELP RED BAT AND IRON GUS AT DUCKBURG BAY BEFORE WE LOSE ANOTHER TWO ULTRAPODS!
OKAY, BUT...
...EEGA, ARE YOU PLAYING A VIDEO GAME?!?
?!

EEGA!!
SORRY! AH! YOU HAVE TO GET PAST LEVEL TWO TO FIND THE NEXT SAVE POINT.
DON'T DESPAIR! SUPER DAISY AND I WILL FLY DOWN THERE IMMEDIATELY TO HELP OUR PARTNERS!
MAY I GIVE YOU A RIDE?
HOW GENTLE-MANLY OF YOU!
MEANWHILE...
>BZT!< MISSION FAILED, SIR!
!
THE SUBJECT IS TOTALLY DESTITUTE AND HAS NO PROPERTY TO HIS NAME!
ZZZ... >SNARL!<

HMM...IF IRON GUS IS REALLY A SUPER-HERO, HE'LL CARE ABOUT PROTECTING THE INNOCENT!
ZZZ...
Ice Cream
Ice Cream
R1000! ATTACK THAT ICE-CREAM CART!
>BZT!< AT ONCE!
...AND WITH THIS PAYMENT INJUNCTION RETROACTIVE FROM...>BZT<...NOVEMBER 12TH 1978...
AAAH!
ZZZ... HUH?
HEEELP!
HEY! THAT ICE CREAM IS IN DANGER!
TIME TO TEST MY CALORIC BOMBS!
3000 CALORIES, 80 MEGATONS EACH!

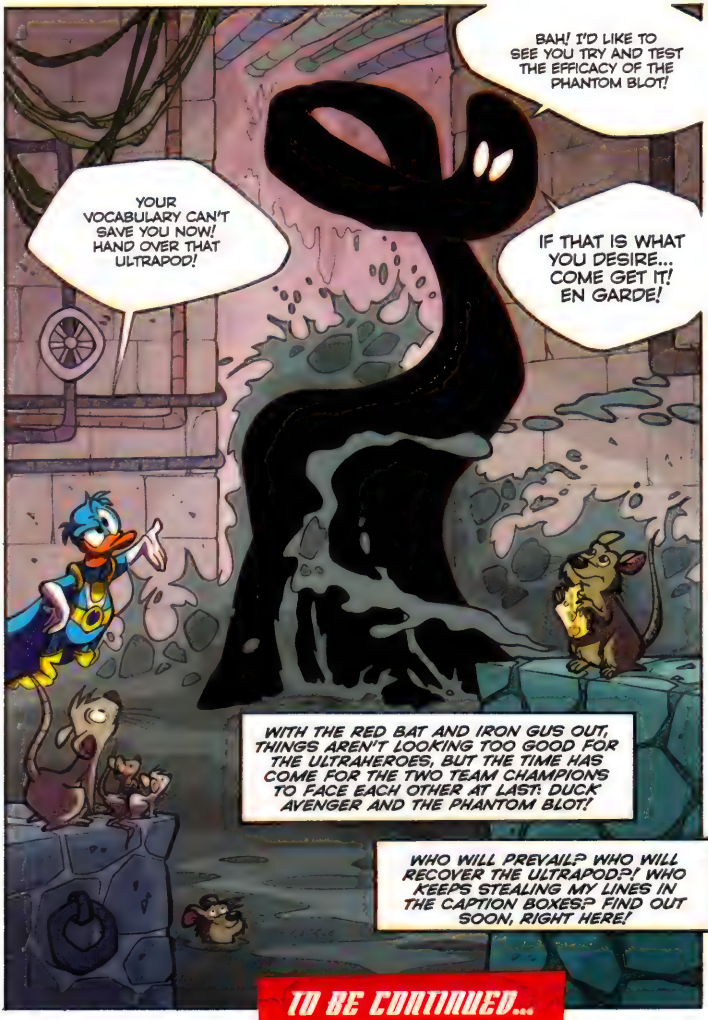
HEH, HEH! FINALLY THAT OVERGROWN *SLOTH* MOVED AWAY FROM THIS SPOT!
THAT'S DUCKBURG BAY DOWN BELOW!
WE'D BETTER SPLIT UP!
UM...SUPER DAISY?
YEAH?
I JUST WANTED TO SAY...I THINK YOU AND I MAKE A GOOD TEAM.
I WAS THINKING THE SAME THING.

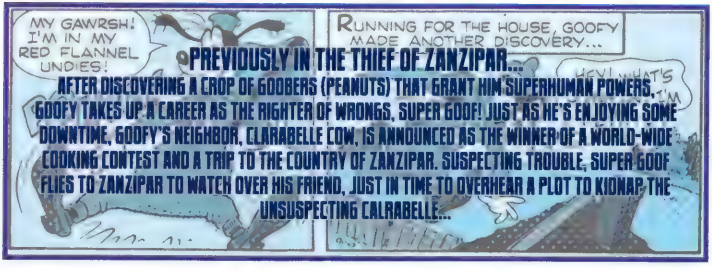
THE PHANTOM BLOT THINKS HE CAN JUST WALK AWAY WITH ULTRAPOD-5? NOT ON RED BAT'S WATCH!
I'LL HAVE TO PICK MY OPENING! STRIKE AT JUST THE RIGHT— OOPS!
HA, HA! THAT SIMPLETON THOUGHT HE COULD DEFEAT ME! HE'S EVEN OBLIVIOUS TO THE FACT THAT HE'S NOT WEARING RED ANYM—
OH!
THUD
HEH! THIS CROOK EXPERIENCED MY LETHAL...ER...TUMBLE MOVE BEFORE HE COULD MANAGE TO TURN LIQUID!

CRIMINAL!
YOU ATE ALL THE ICE CREAM!
BURP!
THE COLLECTIONS AGENT WOULD'VE CAUSED LESS DAMAGE!
HERE'S ULTRAPOD-6, AT LAST!
TIME FOR ME TO SKATE!
OH, NO! I'M TOO LATE!

I'VE GOTTA STOP HIM BEFORE HE GETS AWAY!
}TSK!{ GOOD LUCK!
CHIC
CLICK
FAREWEEEELL!
ZOW
}QUACK!{
}SIGH!{ I HATE TO ADMIT IT, BUT ROLLER DOLLAR WON!
AND NOW THAT ULTRAPOD IS MINE!
?

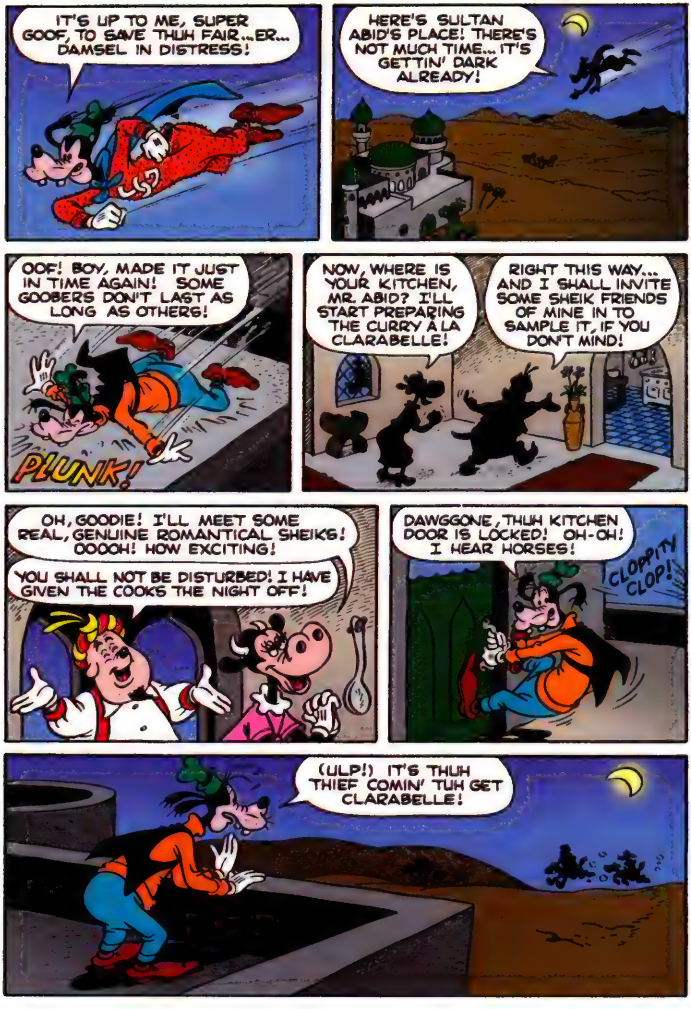
UNHAND ME, YOU COLORBLIND DINGBAT!
U-ULP!
AND I'M REACQUIRING THE ULTRAPOD AS WELL!
WOOOSH
GULP!
SPUT!
GROAN...
A SEWAGE TUNNEL. HOW BENEATH ME!
THE ULTRAMACHINE BEST SERVE ME WELL...
POLITO
...LEST THOSE ULTRAHEROES GIVE ME ANY MORE TROUBLE!
?
YOU MEAN ONE OF THE ULTRAHEROES LIKE ME?


BAH! I'D LIKE TO SEE YOU TRY AND TEST THE EFFICACY OF THE PHANTOM BLOT!
YOUR VOCABULARY CAN'T SAVE YOU NOW! HAND OVER THAT ULTRAPOD!
IF THAT IS WHAT YOU DESIRE... COME GET IT! EN GARDE!
WITH THE RED BAT AND IRON GUS OUT, THINGS AREN'T LOOKING TOO GOOD FOR THE ULTRAHEROES, BUT THE TIME HAS COME FOR THE TWO TEAM CHAMPIONS TO FACE EACH OTHER AT LAST: DUCK AVENGER AND THE PHANTOM BLOT!
WHO WILL PREVAIL? WHO WILL RECOVER THE ULTRAPOD?! WHO KEEPS STEALING MY LINES IN THE CAPTION BOXES? FIND OUT SOON, RIGHT HERE!
TO BE CONTINUED...



PREVIOUSLY IN THE THIEF OF ZANZIPAR...

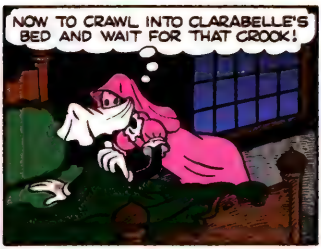
AFTER DISCOVERING A CROP OF GOOBERS (PEANUTS) THAT GRANT HIM SUPERHUMAN POWERS, GOOFY TAKES UP A CAREER AS THE RIGHTER OF WRONGS, SUPER GOOF! JUST AS HE'S ENJOYING SOME DOWNTIME, GOOFY'S NEIGHBOR, CLARABELLE COW, IS ANNOUNCED AS THE WINNER OF A WORLD-WIDE COOKING CONTEST AND A TRIP TO THE COUNTRY OF ZANZIPAR. SUSPECTING TROUBLE, SUPER GOOF FLIES TO ZANZIPAR TO WATCH OVER HIS FRIEND, JUST IN TIME TO OVERHEAR A PLOT TO KIDNAP THE UNSUSPECTING CLARABELLE...

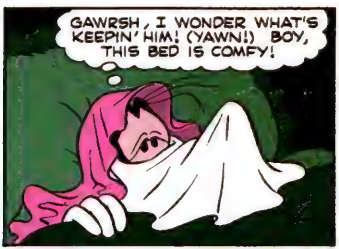

IT'S UP TO ME, SUPER GOOF, TO SAVE THUH FAIR...ER... DAMSEL IN DISTRESS!
HERE'S SULTAN ABID'S PLACE! THERE'S NOT MUCH TIME... IT'S GETTIN' DARK ALREADY!
OOF! BOY, MADE IT JUST IN TIME AGAIN! SOME GOOBERS DON'T LAST AS LONG AS OTHERS!
PLUNK!
NOW, WHERE IS YOUR KITCHEN, MR. ABID? I'LL START PREPARING THE CURRY A LA CLARABELLE!
RIGHT THIS WAY... AND I SHALL INVITE SOME SHEIK FRIENDS OF MINE IN TO SAMPLE IT, IF YOU DON'T MIND!
OH, GOODIE! I'LL MEET SOME REAL, GENUINE ROMANTICAL SHEIKS! OOOOH! HOW EXCITING!
YOU SHALL NOT BE DISTURBED! I HAVE GIVEN THE COOKS THE NIGHT OFF!
DAWGGONE, THUH KITCHEN DOOR IS LOCKED! OH-OH! I HEAR HORSES!
CLOPPITY CLOP!
(ULP!) IT'S THUH THIEF COMIN' TUH GET CLARABELLE!

SAY, I'VE GOT IT! I'LL DISGUISE MYSELF AS CLARABELLE!

HA! LOOK, MY FRIEND, THERE SHE IS...IN THAT WINDOW UP THERE!
I'LL STAND GUARD!

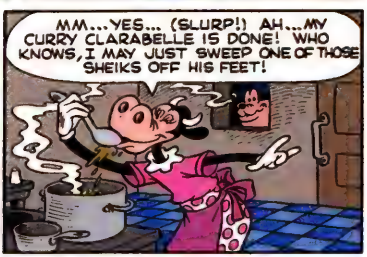
PREPARING TO GO TO BED, EH? GOOD, I'LL WAIT UNTIL SHE FALLS ASLEEP!


NOW TO CRAWL INTO CLARABELLE'S BED AND WAIT FOR THAT CROOK!

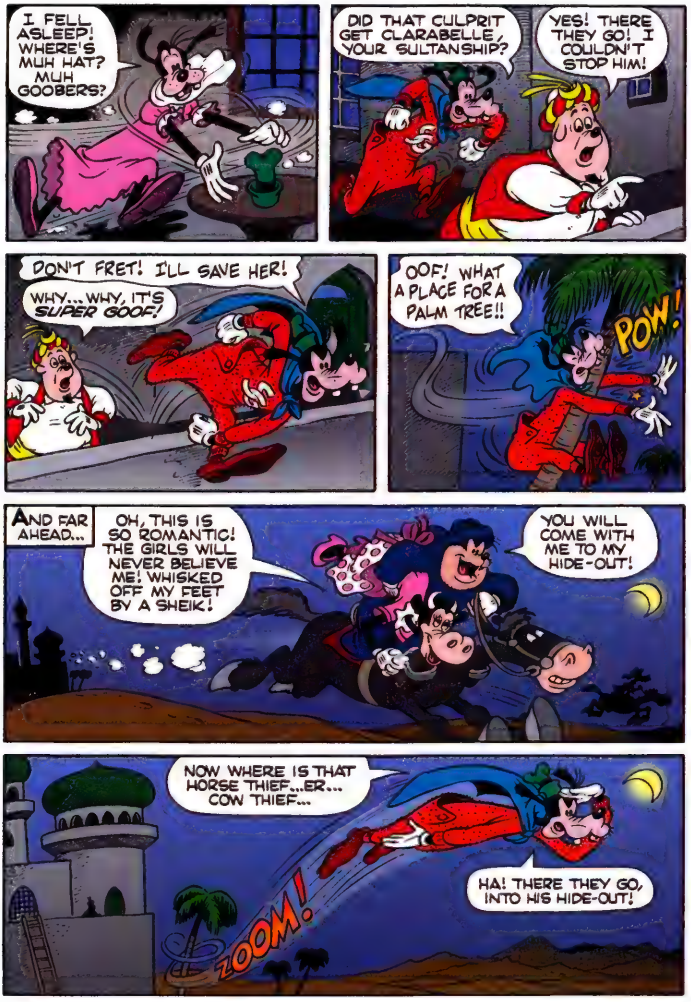

GAWRSH, I WONDER WHAT'S KEEPIN' HIM! (YAWN!) BOY, THIS BED IS COMFY!

NOW I'LL... HUH? (SNIFF! SNIFF!)

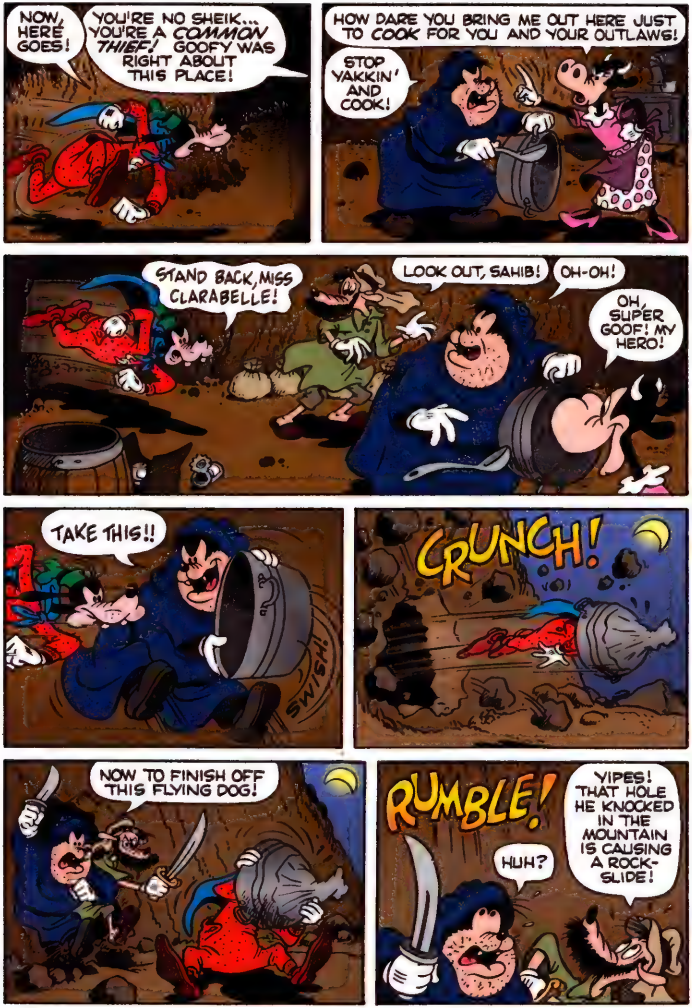
THAT BEAUTIFUL SMELL... IT CAN MEAN ONLY ONE THING... MMM!


MM... YES... (SLURP!) AH... MY CURRY CLARABELLE IS DONE! WHO KNOWS, I MAY JUST SWEEP ONE OF THOSE SHEIKS OFF HIS FEET!

CRASH!
AH! IT IS AS THE NEWSPAPERS HAVE SAID...
WHAT A DISH!
WHO, ME?
SNIFF! SNIFF!
OH, SHEIKY, I BET YOU SAY THAT TO ALL THE GIRLS! (GIGGLE!)
WHERE'D HE GO?
GLUB! GLUB!
MEANWHILE...
ZZZZZZZZ
HALP! STOP, THIEF!
SNORT!
HUH?


I FELL ASLEEP! WHERE'S MUH HAT? MUH GOOBERS?
DID THAT CULPRIT GET CLARABELLE, YOUR SULTANSHIP?
YES! THERE THEY GO! I COULDN'T STOP HIM!
DON'T FRET! I'LL SAVE HER!
WHY... WHY, IT'S SUPER GOOF!
OOF! WHAT A PLACE FOR A PALM TREE!!
POW!
AND FAR AHEAD...
OH, THIS IS SO ROMANTIC! THE GIRLS WILL NEVER BELIEVE ME! WHISKED OFF MY FEET BY A SHEIK!
YOU WILL COME WITH ME TO MY HIDE-OUT!
NOW WHERE IS THAT HORSE THIEF...ER... COW THIEF...
ZOOM!
HA! THERE THEY GO, INTO HIS HIDE-OUT!

LOOK, SAUDI, SOMETHING IS APPROACHING!
SHOOT AT IT, ABOOD!
IT'S A BIRD!
IT'S A BUZZARD!
IT'S A PLANE!
IT'S...
BAM!
BAM!
BLOW!
BAM!
IT'S SUPER GOOF!
ZING!
ZING!
BAM!
YEOW! WE GIVE UP!
SPARE US, SAHIB!
IT'S LUCKY FOR YOU GUYS THAT I'M IN A HURRY!
I WON'T BOTHER TO FIGURE OUT WHAT THUH SECRET WORD IS FOR OPENING THIS ROCK DOOR!
CRASH!
WOW! THAT WAS THICKER THAN I THOUGHT!
HALP! HALP!


NOW, HERE GOES!
YOU'RE NO SHEIK... YOU'RE A COMMON THIEF! GOOFY WAS RIGHT ABOUT THIS PLACE!
HOW DARE YOU BRING ME OUT HERE JUST TO COOK FOR YOU AND YOUR OUTLAWS!
STOP YAKKIN' AND COOK!
STAND BACK, MISS CLARABELLE!
LOOK OUT, SAHIB!
OH-OH!
OH, SUPER GOOF! MY HERO!
TAKE THIS!!
SWISH!
CRUNCH!
NOW TO FINISH OFF THIS FLYING DOG!
RUMBLE!
HUH?
YIPES! THAT HOLE HE KNOCKED IN THE MOUNTAIN IS CAUSING A ROCK-SLIDE!

THUD!
PLUNK!
WELL, I GUESS THAT TAKES CARE OF THUH BAD GUYS!
COME, MISS CLARABELLE, I'LL TAKE YOU BACK TO THE PALACE! YOU'LL BE SAFE NOW!
YES, THANKS TO YOU, SUPER GOOF!
AND HERE'S A BIG KISS FOR A REWARD!
HUH? KISSIN' STUFF?
SORRY, MISS CLARABELLE, I JUST HAPPENED TO REMEMBER SOMETHIN'...
I'VE GOT TO RESCUE SOMEONE IN TROUBLE...
ME!
WHEW! THAT WAS CLOSE!... HI-DE-HO AND HOME I GO!

ONE DRAW BACK OF SUPER HEROISM...
IS THE PAPERWORK!

FINALE FEBRUARY

February is a big month for BOOM Kids! Several of our stories meet their stunning climaxes this month, and set the stage for exciting new stories that will knock your socks off!

THE INCREDIBLES #7 features the conclusion of Mark Waid's and Landry Walker's "GROUNDED" arc, with some startling realizations for Dash as he battles the Underminer, aliens, and his own family! This one is not to be missed!

WALL-E #3 wraps up the tale of everyone's favorite trash-bot, culminating with the tale of how WALL-E became friends with a loveable little cockroach? The conclusion takes us directly into next month's story detailing Wall-E's life shortly after all the humans left earth...and features a frightening new nemesis for our little robot!

THE MUPPET SHOW #3 sees our motley troupe of traveling performers hitting the last show on their tour with hilarious results! Will the Muppets make it back to their newly-rebuilt theatre in one piece, or is this last leg of their journey the end of the road? (Hint: THE MUPPET SHOW #4 ships next month.) Like all of our issues of THE MUPPET SHOW, this one is fat-packed with Roger Langridge's genius!

TOY STORY #3 sees the final epic showdown between Buzz "Sally" Lightyear and Buzz "New Buzz" Lightyear with both toys' fates hanging in the balance! The stakes couldn't be higher, with the winner staying in Andy's room, and the loser heading to the return bin of the local toy store!

Finally, in case you missed it, last month saw the release of WIZARDS OF MICKEY and DISNEY'S HERO SQUAD ULTRAHEROES #1, continuing the epic adventures from MICKEY MOUSE AND FRIENDS and WALT DISNEY'S COMICS...it's not too late to ask your local comic shop to hold you a copy!

Thanks for reading! See you next month!

- Aaron Sparrow, Editor

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WRITER OF THE MONTH: JESSE BLAZE SNIDER

So how did you get involved with BOOM! Studios?

I approached Boom Kids! editor Aaron Sparrow about doing a Muppet Show Christmas Special with Santa Claus as the special guest star! After that and a few other pitches Aaron asked me if I had any ideas for Toy Story or Monsters, Inc. because at the time he was "desperate for pitches." I sent him the pitch for "The Return of Buzz Lightyear" and the rest is history!

Not bad for a chance meeting on the floor of Comic-Con! So it's safe to say the Muppets are your first love?

I've been a fan of the Muppets since I was born. My mom turned me on to the Muppet Show when I was a baby. I fell in love with the humor, the music and the huge cast of characters, who all had one common quality: none of them would ever give up being who they were and doing what they wanted to do. The Muppets always persevered. I think I'm like that and I'm not sure I would be without having the Muppets to show me how it's done. From there I followed them my whole life, in film, on TV and now on the internet. I have everything available on DVD AND VHS, and a bunch of stuff that isn't really available anywhere! I've got the toys, busts, books, magazines and even a prized Animal Puppet with moving eyebrows from the '80s! I love the Muppets and outside of my parents, Jim Henson is my idol.

So you've got to be pretty psyched then, working on MUPPET SNOW WHITE!

I'm over the moon. So far it's been the best comic book writing experience of my life, and I'm traditionally a superhero guy. I mean, I have a great life, I do what I love and pretty much only what I love for a living. And right now on top of doing what I love to do, I'm working with the characters that have always made me most happy.

Seeing as you're writing two titles for BOOM Kids!, do you have anything to say to the critics that say kids don't read comics?

First, I say that Pixar movies and the Muppets were never meant for kids...they were meant for EVERYONE and our comic books are no different. And second I say that all comic fans eventually grow up, just like my dad did and guess who he turned on to comics? ME. I even went on to write them. Guess who I'm going to turn on to comics? My daughter. I turn everyone I meet onto comics, there are new readers coming in every day. A lot of them are children, and just because the kids aren't complaining on online message boards, doesn't mean that they don't have a major presence in the marketplace. A lot of kids buy their comics at newsstands and bookstores; you don't have to shop at a comic book store to be a comic fan or reader. Kids are very much reading comics, because my kid and all my friends' kids are too!

Any Disney-Pixar character you're dying to see in print?

I love them all, as far as I'm concerned Pixar can do no wrong. Their short films and feature lengths. I'm really a fan first. I'm not sure exactly why, maybe because Sully looks like a blue version of one of my favorite Muppets, Sweetums, but MONSTERS, INC. is my favorite Pixar movie with UP a close second. I know we did a MI mini already, but I'd really like to see more and if we're doing an UP series they better give me a chance to write one of my favorite new characters: the evil and high-voiced talking dog, ALPHA. "You will rue the day you crossed me, Small Mail Man!" =)

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